



NEWS FOR AND ABOUT **Kmart** CORPORATION EMPLOYEES

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1980

## Fauber becomes K mart Board chairman; Dewar to retain management position

Bernard M. Fauber was elected chairman of the Board of Directors of K mart Corporation on May 27, 1980. He will continue to serve as chief executive officer, a position he has held since January 31, 1980.

The Board of Directors appointed Fauber following the annual meeting at K mart Corporation headquarters in Troy, MI.

Fauber, 57, replaces Robert E. Dewar, who has been chairman since 1972. Dewar has also been chief executive officer from 1972 until January 1980, when Fauber assumed those responsibilities.

As chairman and chief executive officer, Fauber will be responsible for the day-to-day operations of K mart Corporation. Dewar will remain in full-time management for the corporation with responsibility for financial, government and public relations and other non-operating areas. Dewar will also chair the executive and finance committees of the Board of Directors.

"Most importantly, this honor and opportunity reflects Mr. Dewar's personal determination of what is best for the K mart Corporation," Fauber said.

"I not only feel fortunate for having the opportunity to serve as chairman of the board, but extremely fortunate that it is



Bernard Fauber, left, and Robert Dewar.

happening at the start of this new decade. I feel the K mart Corporation has reached a natural transition point leading to yet another period of high growth which would be even more exciting than the past."

Fauber began his career with the company in 1941 as a part-time employee in a Lynchburg, Virginia Kresge variety store. His early assignments included assistant manager positions in Kresge stores in Virginia, Washington, DC, Maryland and Mich-

igan.

He received his first managerial post at a Kresge store in Hammond, IN and later managed a Kresge unit in Toledo, OH. He served as a district manager, first in K mart's Central Region and then in the Southern Region. In 1961, he was named assistant regional manager of the Southern Region.

In 1965 Fauber became executive assistant to then President Harry E. Cunningham. One year later he was named regional man-

ager of K mart's Western Region, and in 1968 he was promoted to vice president. In 1977 he was promoted to senior executive vice president - chief administrative officer and elected a director. Fauber was elected vice chairman of the board in 1979.

Dewar, 57, joined the legal department of the corporation in 1949. During his career, he has been assistant to the president, assistant vice president, financial vice president, and vice president for administration. He was first elected a director in 1968, when he was also named executive vice president for administration and finance. He became president and chief administrative officer in 1970. Dewar was elected chairman and chief executive officer in 1972.

At the annual meeting, shareholders reelected the following directors: A. H. Aymond, Arnold H. Bachner, William H. Baldwin, Robert E. Brewer, Dale R. Corson, Harry B. Cunningham, Robert E. Dewar, Bernard M. Fauber (later elected chairman by the directors), Carl A. Gerstacker, Martha W. Griffiths, Russell A. Hansen, David B. Harper, Roland Lawson, J. Edward Lundy, Paul W. McCracken, Grant W. Morck, Robert W. Purcell and Ervin E. Wardlow.

## First quarter sales and earnings

Commenting on K mart Corporation's first quarter results, Chairman Robert E. Dewar said:

"Sales for the 13 weeks ended April 30, 1980, were \$2,983,516,000 compared with \$2,616,617,000 for the first quarter of 1979, an increase of 14.0%. Net income for the quarter was \$39,645,000 compared with \$45,590,000 for the comparable prior year quarter, a decrease of 13.0%. Earnings per common and common equivalent share were 32¢ for the first quarter of 1980 against 37¢ for the first quarter of 1979.

"Sales and earnings for the first quarter of 1980 were within expectations despite a severe and deteriorating economic environment. Good sales increases were experienced by most departments, especially small appli-

ances, menswear, sporting goods and home improvements. However a less vigorous sales pace was noted in the major appliance, camera, building material and ladies' apparel departments.

"Gross profit margins were slightly above expectations and the prior year. However, inflationary pressures continued to unfavorably affect selling, general and administrative expense ratios which increased to 25.2% of sales in the first quarter of 1980 compared with 24.0% in the comparable quarter of the prior year.

"Continued high inflation is also reflected in our inventory valuation under the LIFO inventory method by 14¢ per share charge in the current year first quarter compared with 9¢ per

share charge in the first quarter of 1979.

"Operating comparisons were also affected by significant fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates. Earnings for the first quarter of 1980 included a minimal currency fluctuation gain compared with a loss of 3¢ per share in the first quarter of the prior year.

"The effective income tax rate in 1980 was 42.0% compared with 45.8% in the prior year. This decrease was due primarily to the swing in the effects of foreign currency fluctuations not subject to income tax in 1980 compared with 1979.

"In the first quarter of 1980, we opened 34 K marts compared with 36 opened in the first quarter of 1979. We anticipate that

our 1980 store expansion program will approximate 175 stores in the United States and Canada.

"Sales for the balance of the year will, undoubtedly, be affected by the continued weakness of our general economy. As consumers become more and more price-conscious, K mart's values will continue to be attractive. We expect monthly sales increases to range between 10% to 15% for the balance of the year. We have a strong promotional program and that, along with our new store openings, should provide continued sales gains reasonably close to our plan. Inflation's impact upon costs will likely continue for a few more quarters. The fourth quarter results of 1980, however, would be compared with a relatively weak fourth quarter in 1979."

## Sales and Expenses

Fiscal Year Ended 1/30/80

Shown below is a recap of K mart Corporation Sales and Expenses for the 1979 Fiscal Year.

We've also included a comparison of the company's profits in each of the last 5 years with our cost of benefits for K mart employees. Our benefit package is certainly one we can take great pride in.

	Amount	% of sales
Sales	\$12,731,145	100.
Suppliers & Landlords	9,155,324	71.9
Salaries & Employee Benefits	1,939,400	15.2
Federal & State Income Taxes, Property & Payroll Taxes	479,495	3.9
Supplies, Utilities & Other	497,442	3.8
Advertising	301,485	2.4
Profit	357,999	2.8
Dividend declared	103,036	.8

### Comparison of Profit and Estimated Employee Benefit Costs For the Past Five Years

	Profit	Benefit Costs
1979	\$357,999,000	\$471,037,840
1978	343,706,000	400,950,000
1977	297,818,000	320,403,980
1976	261,792,000	266,179,200
1975	196,496,000	207,174,450

## Furr's merger is complete

K mart Corporation announced May 14, 1980 that it has completed the acquisition of Furr's Cafeterias, Inc. through a merger with a wholly owned subsidiary. The merger was approved May 13 at a special meeting of Furr's shareholders. Following its tender offer at 28 dollars per share which expired on April 1, K mart owned approximately 98 percent of Furr's outstanding common stock.

Furr's is based in Lubbock, Texas and operates a chain of 76 cafeterias in the southwestern United States.

## June Store Openings

Region	Location	Opening Date
1 M	3515 — Oak Lawn, IL	June 5
2 M	7163 — St. Charles, IL	June 26
3 M	7306 — Sioux Falls, SD	June 26
4 M	9558 — Harrisburg, IL	June 26
5 S	3549 — Seminole, FL	June 12
6 S	7196 — St. Petersburg, FL	June 12
7 S	7260 — W. Palm Beach, FL	June 26
8 S	9628 — Newberry, SC	June 4
9 S	9637 — Laurens, SC	June 26
10 W	3431 — Colma, CA	June 12
11 W	7230 — Haltom City, TX	June 19

## Sales up 11.8%

For the four weeks ended April 30, 1980 sales were \$1,042,474,000, an 11.8% increase over last year's sales which were \$932,329,000. Sales for the 13 week period ended April 30, 1980, were \$2,982,978,000 a 14% increase compared to sales for the 13 week period ended May 2, 1979 which were \$2,616,647,000.

Chairman Robert E. Dewar said, "April sales results were helped by milder weather nationwide. Automotive and sporting goods increases led the way. Regionally, the Eastern and Southern geographic areas produced best results."

On April 30, 1980 there were 2,102 stores compared to 1,926 on May 2, 1979.

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## Promotions



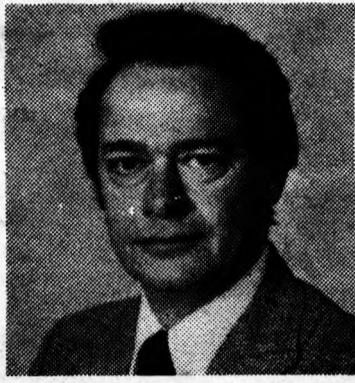
Billy D. Fergot



Raymond W. Herbst Jr.



Robert D. Jacob



Marvin E. Porter



Philip J. Kiraly

Billy D. Fergot, district manager of the Western Region has been promoted to assistant regional manager of the Western Region.

Mr. Fergot began his career as a stock person for Kresge 493 in 1955. He received his first management assignment in 1961. He has managed several Kresge stores as well as two K marts before his promotion.

mart 4109 is now K mart district manager.

Mr. Keller started with K mart in 1958 and was given his first management position in 1963. He has managed four Kresge stores prior to his present appointment.

Raymond W. Herbst Jr., assistant regional manager of the Central Region was promoted to buyer in department 61 of home improvements.

In 1941 Mr. Herbst started working for the K mart Corporation. He has managed several Kresge and K mart stores since he received his first managerial assignment in 1953.

He has also served as district manager in the Midwestern and Central regions. In 1978 Mr. Herbst became the assistant regional manager of the Central Region.

Robert D. Jacob, buyer in International Headquarters since 1976 is now a buyer in department 22 glassware and dinnerware, 35 plastics and 41 housewares.

Since he joined the K mart organization in 1947, Mr. Jacob has managed several Kresge and K mart stores, served as district manager in the Midwestern Region and managed the Lawrence Distribution Center. He received his first managerial assignment in 1958.

Marvin E. Porter, regional merchandise manager in the Midwestern Region has been promoted to buyer in department 1 hosiery. Mr. Porter began his K mart career in 1949 and managed his first store in

1964. He has managed several Kresge and K mart stores since then and has also served as district manager in the Midwestern Region.

Philip J. Kiraly, regional merchandise manager in the Central Region has been promoted to assistant regional manager of the Central Region.

## Other additions

Linda I. Adler joined the real estate department at International Headquarters. She will be associated with the property management division, under the direction of Mr. D.H. Burdick II.

Miss Adler is a member of the State Bar of Michigan and American Bar Association.

Arthur R. Kainz also joined the real estate department at International Headquarters. He will be associated with the property management division under the direction of Mr. D.H. Burdick II.

Mr. Kainz is a member of the State Bar of Michigan, American Bar Association and the Detroit Bar Association.

Bruce T. Ford, manager of K mart 9187 reported as an assistant to the buyer in department 10 needlework, 13 yard goods and 14 notions at International Headquarters.

# You're not truly at home until you've found a K mart

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She was new in the big city, nervous and homesick, two time zones from the town she grew up in, far from friends, family, the familiar.

Suddenly there it was, glowing in the distance, beckoning the lost and the lonely like a lighthouse beaming hope to travelers sinking fast in a sea of on-off freeway ramps.

In that moment, she knew.

"Everything is going to be OK," she wrote to the folks back home. "They have a K mart here."

Boy, did they: 101 of them in the state, from Grand Rapids to Lansing to Southfield to Taylor. That's 101 housewares departments: 101 store guards armed with staple guns, sealing all incoming packages.

Incredible.

And one of these shopping havens stood just six blocks from her apartment. Standing in a crowded aisle with vinyl purses to the left of her, costume jewelry to the right, at last she knew she could be happy east of the Rio Grande.

Home is one thing, but K mart is . . . special.

Manager trainees say every store is different, that each carries merchandise that fits the needs of the particular community it serves.

Hogwash.

You could lead her blindfolded to any K mart in the country, and she would zero in, without a moment's hesitation, on, say, precisely the right shelf where those flower appliques are kept that you stick in the bathtub to keep from slipping.

She knew K mart.

She had watched store employees on step ladders, desperate and irritable, coaxing escaped parakeets from light fixtures.

She had seen them stack Corning Ware so high that it was impossible to remove one box without toppling a dozen.

She knew one woman whose job it was, day in and day out, to



Kmart

straighten socks in the men's department.

K mart is the great social leveler in our culture because, just like gas stations and the undertaker's, everybody has to go there sooner or later. Gloria Vanderbilt may scorn the double knits at K mart, but you can bet she won't find any transmission fluid at Saks. Or Mickey Mouse mugs. Or T-shirts that say "Hot Stuff" in blue glitter.

In an uncertain world, where gold prices rise and plummet like pop corn on a griddle, and where you don't know from one minute to the next who's running credit checks on you, much less who's running Iran, at least one has K mart.

She needed known quantities like that precisely because they are predictable: boring, dull and predictable.

Wonderful.

It might be Jacobson's for monogrammed sheets. Hudson's for shoes. Claire Pearone for ostrich feathers.

But for bathmats, thumbtacks, sparkplugs, moth balls, cotton balls, baseballs, kitchen curtains, rubber ducks, glue, cardboard, filing cabinets, screwdrivers, electric blankets, shampoo, face cream, Ultrasheen, plastic buckets, disposable diapers, flashlights, lightbulbs, Drano and everything else it takes to make life really easy, it's K mart every time.

This comforted her.

Whatever the allure of exotic lands and faraway places, she decided she would never stray too far from that bastion of good sense and practicality. When there are K marts in Paris, London and Rome, she will go there. Until then, those cities have little else to offer.

## From across the ocean . . .

The power of the printed word never ceases in its magnitude. A young woman, working at a publishing house in Bombay, India got an advance copy of *Cosmopolitan* magazine. In it was a K mart ad for Maybelline cosmetics.

Governmental laws prohibit the sale of such goods in India, but the ad was convincing and the price was right. So this woman wrote us the following letter, in hopes that we would be able to help her obtain some cosmetics.

B.I. Publications  
18 Lansdowne Road  
Bombay 400 039 India

April 29, 1980

Manager  
K mart Corporation  
Troy, MI. 48084

Dear Sir,

Let me first introduce myself. I, the undersigned am working for the above company as a secretary to the Regional Manager. But now I have resigned as I am about to get married on 20th May, 1980. My age is 27 years.

While going through a foreign magazine I came upon your advertisement for Maybelline cosmetics which you are distributing. As I wanted to look my best on my wedding day I am writing this letter in the hope that you will be able to help me. My only request is that I wish to buy some of Maybelline's cosmetics. But the question is how? Our government is very strict where these things are concerned. We just cannot import them. I can however send you some money in the envelope with my next letter. Alternatively, I can send you a gift worth the cost of cosmetics I wish to purchase. I want the following cosmetics.

Automatic Super Shiny Lip Color      Maybelline Brush/Blush  
Maybelline Nail Color      Golden Eye Shadow  
Maybelline Lipstylers

I hope you will help me look my best for my wedding day. Please do write to me even if you cannot help me. I am looking forward to your early reply. I hope you can come out with a good idea as to how I can purchase the above cosmetics. Thank You.

Yours faithfully,  
Rashida Zaveri

We forwarded the letter on to Maybelline and they sent her the cosmetics she wanted.

Go from Pretty to Pretty Sensational...  
Maybelline from Kmart

You pretty thing! Make the most of it with pretty sensational Maybelline makeup! Begin with Moisture Whip makeup...whipped with moisturizers and a protective sunscreen. Glow with Brush/Blush blusher. Shade on subtle Blooming Colors eye shadow. Define with curved wand Magic Mascara. Color on fresh Color 3 see-through lipstick. Gloss on protective layers of Kissing Sticks. Finish with nail Color for perfect perfection.

Get Maybelline Cosmetics on sale through June 21 at over 1,600 Kmart stores in the U.S.A. Sensational!

\$1.46  
Moisture Whip Makeup

\$1.66  
Blooming Colors

96¢  
Magic Mascara

\$1.60  
Automatic Super Shiny Lip Color

\$76  
Cream & Frosted Nail Color

\$1.36  
Kissing Sticks

Maybelline

Maybelline Quality at a Kmart Price. Nice.

Kmart

The Saving Place

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## A delicious reminder



# Favorite Feasts

## Your Special Recipes

### Ingredients:

Got a special concoction that's great for company or some little goodie that's easy to whip up after work? Let us in on your family secrets and help us fill the space for our new column, "Favorite Feasts." Each month we'll choose a category and ask that you divulge just one recipe that you feel is set apart from most others. Then according to space we'll print the most interesting recipes.

To start off the summer, how about something mouth-watering off a sizzling grill? Perhaps a marinated shish kabob or some sweet and sour ribs. And give us a hint as to what to serve with your gastronomical delight. Send recipes to: K liner Recipes  
3100 W. Big Beaver  
Troy, MI. 48084

## Sunnyside Up

### K mart 4062, Danville, VA — Vernice Barts

"We, the prospective Dan River Chapter of Sweet Adelines feel that employees of companies who go beyond their expected duties to assist customers should be recognized.

"Therefore, we would like to spotlight Mrs. Vernice Barts of the Danville K mart store for her fine spirit of cooperation, friendship, and diligent searching to find 27 wigs of the same type for our four-part harmony singing groups. The hardest part of this situation was that we had a show in ten days. Within two hours after approaching Vernice, she had driven to Martinsville K mart, picked up wigs, and called to advise that she had 20 in Danville. She then called her district manager to help her locate the balance of needed wigs. On the day of our performance, Vernice called to say the district manager had driven in from West Virginia with our "halos."

"The point that we would like to make is this; Vernice could have taken the easy way out as most businesses do and said I can't get this merchandise that quickly. Instead she said, "let me try" and she accomplished with her trying.

"With employees of this nature, a company has to be a winner and you can be sure when we need things which she sells in her department, Vernice will get our business. We found all the employees in this department sharing the same quality of 'I'm here to help!' We hope at some time such employees are commended by the K mart Corporation for exceptional service. Vernice has the vote of the Sweet Adelines for such an award.

"If you ever need entertainment for your employees, we hope you will call on us and that we will be able to sing for you."

### K mart 3314, Indianapolis, IN — Mrs. Williams

"On April 10, 1980, I was in your #3314 store in Indianapolis, Indiana, and lost my checkbook with cash in it.

"I was totally unaware that I had lost it. After returning to our home in Springfield, Ohio, I received a phone call from a Mrs. Williams, who is the office manager at the K mart. She asked a few questions about my identity and wanted me to identify my checkbook and contents. She informed me that one of her fellow employees had found it and turned it in at the service desk. It still contained the \$60.00 cash which really surprised me. She informed me that the next day she would go to the bank and get a cashier's check and send my checkbook in the mail also.

"I would like to take this opportunity to tell you what outstanding and trustworthy employees you have working at this particular store. I would also like to thank the sales clerk who turned in my checkbook, but I do not know her name.

"I do enjoy shopping at my K mart store here in Springfield, Ohio."

### K mart 3040, Hyannis, MA — Automotive Department Manager

"I am writing this note to express my extreme pleasure with the service and attention that was given to me by the manager of your automotive department of your Hyannis, K mart.

"While visiting on Cape Cod, my 1976 Dodge Wagon developed brake problems. Repeated attempts to get service through local gas stations were dismally unsuccessful. When I brought the car into the K mart Auto Center the service manager was genuinely sympathetic to my situation even though the hour was late and he was about to close. Although he indicated that he did not have the available parts, he examined the faulty brakes and was able to rebuild the parts in question and make the brakes functional and safe. What seemed to be the icing on the cake was the very reasonable charge for this service.

"In this day and age where we find that most people don't really care about attending to the needs of the general public, I and my family found the assistance and the work done to be an affirmation of the best qualities in people. I am writing this letter because I feel such service warrants the commendation from your office to the people in the Hyannis K mart. Thank you again."

### K mart 4130, Omaha, NE — Gary Meck

"From past experience, I realize you enjoy favorable comments regarding your personnel.

"This letter relates to a Gary Meck employed in the mens and boys clothing department. This gentleman is the greatest.

"I have various occasions to shop in this department, and, often need assistance. Mr. Meck goes out of his way to be pleasantly helpful, and clearly demonstrates he is a real humanitarian. I am sure if awards were passed out, he would receive many of them.

"I am a senior citizen, wading in the stream of life I call "sunset" at age 79. It may interest you to know I was the first customer to enter Kresge's five and dime store when it opened in Omaha about sixty years ago. I had the pleasure of meeting S.S. Kresge and enjoyed a snack at the lunch counter with him. Due to this fact, I was the last customer to leave this store when it closed a few years back. Time and space does not permit more minute details. In conclusion, I hope in some way Gary Meck can be recognized for his kindness and consideration on behalf of senior citizens and last, but not least, K mart."

## "My Favorite Pair of Blue Jeans"

K mart 7001, Newnan, GA — And last but not least "My favorite pair of blue jeans." I got my best pair of blue jeans at K mart where your dollar buys you more.

They've been through mud, water, paint, grease, oil, through lakes, up trees, and in the woods when it was raining.

By the time I get through with them, they'll probably go to the dump. I tried to hide them once from my mother so she couldn't find them and throw them away.

# Fauber receives copy of "S.S. Kresge Story"

Stanley S. Kresge, honorary chairman of the Kresge Foundation, presented a copy of "The S. S. Kresge Story" the remarkable life story of Sebastian Spengen Kresge, founder of the S. S. Kresge Company now the K mart Corporation and the Kresge Foundation to Bernard M. Fauber, chairman of the K mart Corporation.

It all started when Sebastian Kresge, a Pennsylvania Dutch lad who excelled in bee cultures, set out to make his fortune. He worked as a "drummer" — tinware salesman — out of Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania and managed during the "panic of 1893" to save \$8,000 to invest in his own business. How the senior Kresge's business acumen created a dime store dynasty that has become one of the world's leading mercantile enterprises and the roles of the men and women who helped him succeed is told by Stanley Kresge in a pleasant, down-to-earth style.

The book is filled with photo-

graphs, more than 100, and one, in particular, helps establish the founding date of the company, October 11, 1899. It was discovered on a Peninsular Savings Bank of Detroit note. Stanley Kresge said there had been some question about the actual date, but "the note is for \$3,000, the amount father had to borrow to gain full ownership of his first Kresge store."

"The S. S. Kresge Story" is not a theory on how to make millions of dollars. It tells you when and how it was done and ultimately how it was spent "to benefit humanity." Stanley Kresge tells how his father, wholeheartedly, gave it all back to the very people who helped him earn the money in the first place. The Kresge Foundation — initiated by the senior Kresge in 1924 — has become the instrument for dispersing those benefits for humanity. Since then, it has awarded grants in excess of \$300 million in the fields of education, health, welfare, religion, humanities and science.



Stanley Kresge, third from left, presents a copy of his recently published memoirs to Mr. Fauber (second from left) while co-author Steve Spilos, far left, and Harvey Kresge, senior buyer, right, look on. Behind them is a Michigan historic site marker providing observers with a brief history of the Kresge Company, now the K mart Corporation.

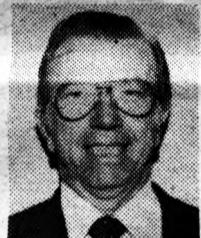
## —Anniversaries—

### 40 years



George Carne  
KIH  
Troy, MI  
June 17

### 30 years



Don Baumgartner  
K mart 4322  
Kankakee, IL  
June 19

### 25 years



Lola Bakos  
K mart 4478  
Trenton, NJ  
June 13



Owen Reinert  
KIH  
Troy, MI  
June 13

### 25 years



Flossie Strochine  
Kresge 687  
Southgate, MI  
June 20



Richard Krug  
KIH  
Troy, MI  
June 28



Julia Richey  
Kresge 126  
Philadelphia, PA  
June 5

### 35 years



Irene Dopler  
K mart 3287  
Rock Island, IL  
June 14



Leon Blume  
SRO  
Atlanta, GA  
June 18



Edwin Booth  
K mart 4456  
Rome, GA  
June 19

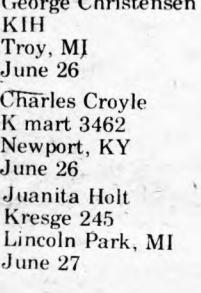


William Roach  
K mart 4369  
Las Vegas, NV  
June 19

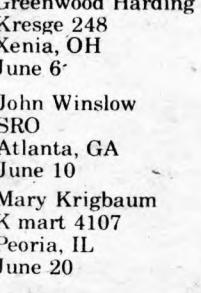


Beatrice Kinney  
Kresge 162  
Madison, WI  
June 20

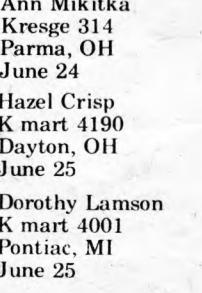
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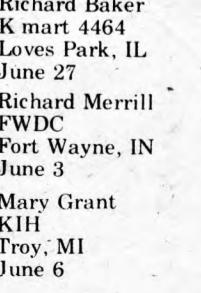
Grace Patenaude  
KIH  
Troy, MI  
June 13



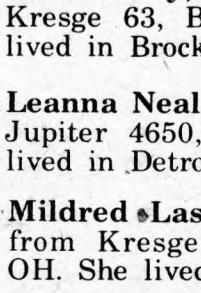
John Winslow  
SRO  
Atlanta, GA  
June 10



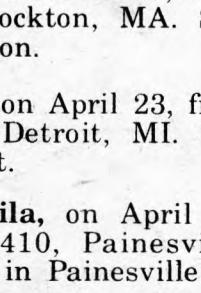
Dorothy Lamson  
K mart 4001  
Pontiac, MI  
June 25



Richard Baker  
K mart 4464  
Loves Park, IL  
June 27



Hazel Crisp  
K mart 4190  
Dayton, OH  
June 25



Richard Merrill  
FWDC  
Fort Wayne, IN  
June 3

## In Memoriam

**Elwyn Maatman**, on April 8, from KIH, Troy, MI. He lived in Lexington, KY.

**John Languell**, on May 10, from Kresge 667, Roseville, MI. He lived in Vandalia, MI.

**Agnes McDonald**, on March 27, from Kresge 82, Kansas City, MO. She lived in Mission, KS.

**Harry Lawrence**, on April 30, from K mart 4066, Jackson, MI. He lived in Jackson.

**Helen LeGrand**, on April 9, from K mart 4258, Akron, OH. She lived in Akron.

**Robert Moon**, on April 28, from K mart 9010, Bluffton, IN. He lived in Bluffton.

**Helen Polson**, on April 5, from K mart 4259, Fort Worth, TX. She lived in Fort Worth.

**Thomas Johnson**, on April 14, from K mart 4086, Birmingham, AL. He lived in Birmingham.

**Millie Steen**, on February 29, from K mart 7107, Rock Springs, WY. She lived in Rock Springs.

**Charlotte Kellogg**, on February 25, from K mart 4369, Las Vegas, NV. She lived in Las Vegas.

**Anna Henry**, on March 30, from Kresge 75, N. Plainfield, NJ. She lived in Hepzibah, GA.

**Glendola Spano**, on April 17, from K mart 3137, Granite City, IL. She lived in Roxana, IL.

**George Winkler**, on April 18, from Kresge 53, Pittsburgh, PA. He lived in Pittsburgh.

**Samia Marcus**, on March 26, from K mart 3458, Houston, TX. She lived in Cypress, TX.

**Byron Williams**, on April 27, from MRO, Hoffman Estates, IL. He lived in Two Rivers, WI.

**Mina Templin**, on April 16, from Kresge 535, Mount Clemens, MI. She lived in Mt. Clemens.

**Margaret Kipp**, on March 27, from K mart 4028, Santa Ana, CA. She lived in Santa Ana.

**Wilma Suttles**, on April 19, from Kresge 1, Detroit, MI. She lived in Detroit.

**Laura Gray**, on March 19, from Kresge 63, Brockton, MA. She lived in Brockton.

**Naomi Rothenhauser**, on February 13, from K mart 4027, Detroit, MI. She lived in Detroit.

**Leanna Neal**, on April 23, from Jupiter 4650, Detroit, MI. She lived in Detroit.

**Harold Neal**, on March 29, from the Detroit office, Detroit, MI. He lived in Detroit.

### EDITOR'S CORRECTIONS:

In last month's issue we inadvertently reported the following deaths incorrectly:

**George Christensen**, KIH, Troy, MI, June 26.

**Charles Croyle**, K mart 3462, Newport, KY, June 26.

**Juanita Holt**, Kresge 245, Lincoln Park, MI, June 27.

# GARDENING NOTES

Gardening. The art has been around for centuries. Some of us are partial to flower gardens, others prefer a vegetable garden or both; while still others find delight in just a small "kitchen garden." And these are the months, June through October when gardens are filled with delicious and gorgeous surprises.

## Vegetable Garden

Vegetable gardens come in many sizes. Even though the general rule of (green) thumb for providing food from the earth is a 25 x 30 foot lot, interspersing vegetables with garden flowers in a small bed works just as well. Or growing them in pots which will alleviate the chore of insect control.

The most important determinant in planning and growing a vegetable garden is the amount you need of each vegetable. Unless you're a whiz at harvesting or have an excellent storage place like a root cellar, too many vegetables can mean waste. When considering the amount of vegetables needed, keep in mind the following plants which all too often produce too much fruit or can take over the entire garden: cucumbers, peppers, lettuce, celery. These plants picked at maturity from the vine, cannot be stored like squash or potatoes, and unless you have a salad freak, these vegetables can spoil fast.

## Location

The location is strictly left up to you. Most of us like the garden within our sight as it provides a pleasing and refreshing "picture." As long as your garden receives an abundance of sunshine (eight hours a day is the minimum for tomatoes) along with careful watering, your bounty should be plentiful. The only exception to needing a lot of sun is lettuce which tends to wilt and turn bitter in hot weather. Suggestion: Plant your lettuce at the north end of the garden, in pots or in a semi shaded flower border.

## Protection

For some of you who live around dogs, rabbits, woodchucks and gophers, a lot of your efforts will go for naught if the garden is not protected by a fence. It does not have to be elaborate, just useful. Chicken wire with a two inch mesh, and at least two feet in height, supported by posts firmly set in the ground at intervals of eight or ten feet, will supply adequate protection. A four foot fence will serve as a permanent and space-saving support for tomatoes, peas, cucumbers or pole beans. This height will dis-



courage pheasants; however, a much higher one is necessary to discourage deer.

## Equipment

To start and maintain your garden, you'll need a spading fork, and iron bow rake, a hoe, a trowel and a watering can.

## Planning Ahead

If you intend to do some canning and/or freezing, do not depend upon "surpluses" from the summer garden. If, for instance, canned tomatoes and tomato juice are wanted for winter, at least twice as many tomato plants should be set out as would be required to provide a summer supply alone.

## Storage

If you have a dry cool place to store vegetables for winter use, here are some helpful hints. To keep carrots, beets and turnips from shriveling, store them in a cool, dark place, 35°F to 40°F, packed in sand or slightly moist peat moss, or in boxes covered with bags containing sand, leaves or peat moss. Chinese cabbage, leeks, kale and celery should be stored at the same temperature with moderate air circulation and plenty of moisture. Leave some dirt on the roots and pack them closely together in boxes placed on the floor.

Squashes, pumpkins and onions require dry storage. The vine crops should be "cured" for a week or two in a temperature of 80°F to 85°F, then stored on a shelf in a dry cellar at 45°F to 60°F. Onions should be kept in the dark, in a dry place, at 35°F to 40°F after they have been dried off in trays or boxes, under cover, but with good air circulation, for several weeks after harvesting.

## Late Planting

Some vegetables can be planted as late as July 1 because



they can survive light frosts and are used for fall and winter storage. Chinese cabbage, broccoli, carrots and beets can be planted then for storage, while sweet corn, cucumber, zucchini and snap beans are delicious endings to the hot season. Around July 15th you can plant rutabaga. August 1st you have your choice of putting in turnips, endive, escarole, garden cress, kohlrabi, lettuce, radish, peas and spinach.



Even if these vegetables are still immature when the first light frost comes, many vegetables then are gourmet treats, like baby carrots, finger-length zucchini and tiny snap beans.

#### Flower Gardens

Flowers, whether planted en masse or tucked into small niches, are like jewels in a jewelry box. They can be planted in an ordered pattern or in a random manner and yet they

still give the feeling of richness. And unlike vegetables where overplanting can lead to waste, you can never have enough flowering plants. Flowers are not just confined to your outdoor flower beds. Plants, especially annuals which last an entire summer, are the perfect solution for displaying your pots, tubs, window boxes or planters. Many city gardens are made up entirely of potted plants, some raised on props to give an illusion of height.

#### What to Grow

Annual flowers that are best for flower beds are ageratum, wax begonia, dusty-miller, marigolds, petunia and sweet alyssum. Impatiens does very well in areas partially shaded. And there is a wide range of colors to choose from and heights range from six inches to 1½ feet. Impatiens will remain in good condition all summer without wilting or fading.

Perennials (flowers which die in winter but renew themselves each spring) give your garden a long lasting beauty, year after year. Unlike the 100 foot long, eight to ten foot wide flower borders still seen in England, today's perennial gardens are simple yet dramatic. For example, a classic combination of three favorites — peonies, bearded iris and day lilies — can border a driveway and provide color from spring until fall. The peonies and iris will flower first, then the day lilies. These are rugged perennials and will stand up to inclement weather.

Flowers, annual or perennial, create a living tapestry. To soften a high maintenance area, plant ajuga, lily-of-the-valley, sweet woodruff or sedum. These plants can be much more appealing than grass or gravel. A clump of day lilies at a garden gate or some ornamental grass by a garden seat are dramatic accents.

Come autumn, your perennials should be cut down to within an inch of the soil. In the north, it is

advisable to protect newly planted perennials for their first winter. Marsh hay, peat moss, evergreen branches or cornstalks can be laid loosely over the plants so they will not be smothered; however, do not put this protection on until after the first hard freeze. Also its not a bad idea to cover an established perennial bed with the same materials.

#### Herb Gardens

Dainty, delightful and delicious describe the world of herbs. From the elaborate knot gardens of England to the small utilitarian kitchen gardens, herbs have "grown" to become a versatile plant. They can be used for cooking, pot-pourris, bouquets or creating a fresh air feeling for musty places.

For a fragrant garden, lavender, lemon verbena, rosemary,

scented geraniums, southernwood, sweet cicely, thyme and costmary do nicely.

Basil, parsley, summer savory, sweet marjoram, chives are excellent for a kitchen garden. The minty herbs such as spearmint, can be grown successfully in the kitchen and preserved for winter use.

Chives and parsley can be used as examples when considering a kitchen garden. Take a clump of chives and set them in a pan of light sweet soil. Cut back the foliage and let the new growth start. Be sure to place them in a sunny window and keep it on the dry side.



# CENTRAL REGIONAL NEWS

## CPR saves lives 15 pass the test

K mart 3248, South Bend, IN — "Through arrangements made with store 3248 Manager Don Will, Security Manager Tony Williams, and two trained Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation instructors — Bill Hatten and Nancy McWilliams, a group of employees have learned how to deal with heart attacks, victims choking on food, obstructed airways and other emergencies," reports Norma Switalski.

"With a filmstrip, lectures, charts, textbooks, question and answer sessions and practicing on Dummy Annie and/or Baby, we learned to help save lives. And it is not as easy as it looks.

"Those taking part in the classes were Don Will and wife Marilyn, Assistant Managers Gerald Wells and Kathy Kot, Bob Borlik, Jim Kobb, Marcy McCoy, Connie Michalski, Brenna Biesbrouck, Kathy Kwieran, John Thompson, Mary Alice Wallace, Dave Machowiak, Noreen Vanek and myself.

"We attended two classes of four hours each on how to do one man CPR rescue, two man CPR rescue, infant CPR, and obstructed airway both on conscious and unconscious victims.

"On the test night we were fifteen very nervous people as the realization set in that this was it — DID we learn enough to be able to help save someone's life?

"Two hours later after all phases of tests were completed (written and physical) we were very proud when our CPR instructors gave Mr. Will a Certification Award from the American Heart Association to be displayed in the store. We had all passed with flying colors.

"What a relief! Fifteen of us are now full fledged card carrying members."

## Start your engine

K mart 3104, Anderson, IN — "When the cars 'started their engines' this year at the Indianapolis 500, our own Marie Pierson, employee at the deli, was sitting in the grand stand," reports Linda Cantrell of K mart 3104. "She was very lucky and won herself two tickets to the world famous Indy 500."

## Strawberry pie toss

K mart 3064, Jackson, MI —

"Store 3064 is very much alive and keeping the promotion and profit rolling for the company. Our store had a Strawberry Pie Contest. It started as a promotion between store employees and management. Merchandise Manager Gilbert Fox and General Manager G. G. Wood would have a pie thrown at them if the store sold 500 pies for that week's sale. The store did it and sold 557."



Phyllis Russo gives Mr. Petee a pie in the face

## Manager Petee gets pie in the face

K mart 4021, Southgate, MI — "Employees of 4021, really got into the swing of things with a spur-of-the-moment pie throwing contest," reports Marge Leone.

"In order to make it most enjoyable to all, our fun-loving manager, Mr. Petee, decided to sacrifice himself and all his assistants to a pie in the face. "Should we sell 500 pies, each assistant would get it, and should we reach 700, we would get Mr. Big himself — Mr. Petee. That was the clincher! Everyone pitched in and through our combined efforts, we went over the top with a grand total of 1,467 pies.

"Since everyone wanted to do the honors, we decided to have a drawing, with proceeds going to Muscular Dystrophy.

"D-Day was our next weekly meeting and all management attended. We proceeded to get them all, even our Merchandising Manager Michael Settemire, who along with his well deserved promotion to Co-Manager of store 4183, Woodhaven, Michigan, received from grateful employees, an attache case filled with money and of course, his strawberry pie — in the face!

"Mr. Ed Sterns from Muscular Dystrophy was presented with \$60.00.

"Employees want to thank all our management for being such great sports — hoping maybe they'll let us do it again — real soon!"



Joan Douglas, checkout supervisor



Fashions from infants and boys' wear

## Employees don apparel for fashion show

K mart 3104, Anderson, IN — 3104 sprung into spring with a style show at the cafeteria. Several of the employees helped out by showing off our fashions from all over the store," says reporter Linda Cantrell.

"Check-out Supervisor, John Douglas showed fashions from Infants and Boys. All our customers applauded the festivities, especially the free coffee and donuts and door prizes passed out by Personnel Manager, Mrs. St. John.

"We want to give a special thanks to RTW Manager Ms. Reisinger for her hard work and for our Emcee, Pat Hedgecraft from Appliances for her great commentary."

## Trax jogging shoes ground lightning bolt

K mart 3267, Dayton, OH — "I wear them to bed now," is what Fran Van Boven of K mart 3267 is telling everybody about her Trax jogging shoes. Fran considers herself very lucky after her near brush with death May 12.

On her way from her car to the entrance of K mart, Fran was struck by lightning. "It was scary, let me tell you," Fran said. "I was walking down the parking lot and then I saw this flash from the sky coming down right at me. It struck the umbrella that I was carrying and I tried as hard as I could to shake the umbrella from my hand but it wouldn't let go of me. If I hadn't been wearing my Trax shoes, I am sure I wouldn't be here now."

The shoes that Fran was wearing with their rubber soles served as insulation and as a ground for Fran and protected her from the powerful electric current which destroyed her umbrella.

Fran was helped inside the store by other K mart employees who witnessed the accident, Personnel Manager Martha Thomas and Security Manager Greg Marshall.

Fran worked that day and when asked if she had any final comments on the subject said, "I am very thankful that Mr. Fischer, the store manager, had allowed K mart employees to wear these shoes to work."

So keep wearing those jogging shoes K mart employees. You never can tell.

## Ham it up

K mart 9003, Coldwater, MI — "K mart employees are really looking forward to the summer picnic this year at store 9003," says Reporter Penny Pringle. "The main course for the picnic this year is a 250 pound hog donated by Stock Room Manager Dave Moore. You might say the main attraction is a real HAM."

## Cookie crunch

Alpena, MI — "7291 is only six months old, but already the K mart spirit is going strong," says Reporter Rita Siguin. The local Girl Scouts held a celebrity cookie crunch at the K mart mall entrance and our 'big mouths' almost took the championship.

"Food Manager Ken 'Jaws' Jakiez missed first place by only 3, downing 60 cookies in four minutes. Other K mart contestants were Mickie 'mouth' Brown, Cheryl 'Pack 'em in' Paquette and Rick 'Tummyache' Talbot.

"It was all for a good cause, and the scouts reported a magnificent success. But all the 7291's heroes had to show for it was an occasional burp ...

# EASTERN REGIONAL NEWS



## Balloons sail over historic Boston

K mart 3215, North Weymouth, MA — This year Boston celebrates its 350th anniversary. To start off a series of activities to commemorate it, the "Kook Pro Balloon Tour" held two "Hare and Hound" races. The hare, or lead balloon had a 15 minute lead. The hounds, or other balloons, chased it, hoping to land as close as possible to it.

Store manager Robert Bird and Co-Manager Milton Kablin from 3215 were on the store roof as the balloons floated over parts of Quincy and Weymouth.

Luckily, Mr. Bird had his camera with him and was able to take some pictures of this historic event.



Left to right: LuAnn Layne, Nikki Saunders, Lura Counts, Steve Gibble, Rita Fisher, Kendra Diddle, Becky Crouse.

## Employees strut spring fashions

K mart 9538, Gallipolis, OH — At 9538 the first Spring Fashion Show will be long remembered. It was a beautiful spring day and the parking lot was full as everyone waited for the show to start. Larry Wilbourn, manager, was a little nervous since this was the stores' first show.

There were 27 models consisting of children and grandchildren of the employees and, of course, various employees. Each model wore two outfits ranging from a very charming bathing suit and terry cover up worn by Robin Kratzenberg, check out supervisor, to a sporty jogging outfit worn by Steve Gibble, assistant manager.

The children were fantastic. They put on a show that the shoppers at 9538 will long remember. Two year old Derek St. Clair, son of Myrtle St. Clair, cash cage employee was a real eye catcher as he wore his "Little Slugger" baseball outfit. Then we had little Tina Grube, daughter of Val Grube, automotive employee, wearing a dazzling dress with matching hat, gloves and purse. She was a natural star as she pivoted about the stage.

Bill Caughey, assistant manager, was MC for the show and did a marvelous job.

## First catch of season got away

K mart 9210, Burnham, PA — Fishing season is here at K mart 9210. This can easily be seen back in the sporting goods de-

## 70001 helps

K mart 4009, Washington, PA — Helen Strike, personnel supervisor, store 4009, has been chosen along with eight other business men and women to serve on the advisory board for the 70001 Club.

The 70001 Club is an organization sponsored by the county commissioners and funded by the federal government. It aids high school dropouts out of work, between the ages of 16 and 22 years, to find jobs in the business world.

These young people will upgrade their attitude and motivational outlooks on the working world.

The 70001 Club helps these individuals further their educations through GED/ABD classes and teaches the young people the responsibilities and procedures of looking for and retaining a job. It also teaches them how to turn that job into a career.

The advisory boards' duties are to help promote the 70001 Club to the community to aid the coordinator in job placement of the students and in any other capacity that they are able to do so.

partment with all the fishing equipment going through their checkouts. Mike Sayer, our sporting goods manager, has been going around telling co-workers that his writing hand is wearing out from the excessive amount of fishing licenses he has had to write out lately. When not filling out licenses, he's been noted to demonstrate his expertise with a fishing pole when the space permits.

Another avid fisherman is Bill Gallagher, our assistant manager. Days off lately have sent him enjoying the sport. When asked what his first catch was, he said it was a muskie. Disappointment was in his voice, however, when he mentioned this catch, since he had to throw it back because muskie season was not open yet. What luck!

The high demand for fishing equipment in the area has prompted our store manager, Bob Ziemieki, into opening the store at 8 a.m. Saturday during the fishing season, for the convenience of area fishermen. This is just another good way to keep checkouts busy, those registers ringing and all those fishermen in our area happy.



Paulette Shaffer and Paul Repko.

## Down the aisle

K mart 9214, Latrobe, PA — Recently Paulette Shaffer from 9214 was married to Paul Repko also of Latrobe. What started out to be a simple, quiet wedding at the magistrates office turned out to be a nationally recognized ceremony, in the employee's lounge, here at K mart. An hour before the wedding, our Manager Mr. Parker, offered the store for the wedding.

In an hour they were ready with cake, music, gifts and a photographer courtesy of the "Latrobe Bulletin," the local newspaper. Other recognition came from WHJB radio in Greensburg, UPI, WTAE Radio and WTAE TV News.

Paulette and Paul's reaction to all this was "simply fantastic." Paulette returned to work after the ceremony. Paul went fishing for the afternoon.

## Greeter wins prize

K mart 7238, Hadley, MA — Apple pies and Mother's Day were the theme of a pie baking contest held recently at the Hampshire Mall, location of K mart 7238. Thirty-nine pies were entered by local residents but the entry created by our own Store Greeter Rosetta Aldrich won first prize. She was awarded a \$100 gift certificate.

Rosette is a well known, respected member of her community and 7238. Her culinary abilities are now added to a long list of her attributes.

# MIDWESTERN REGIONAL NEWS

## Sales records

K mart 3088, Kenosha, WI — "K mart 3088 is very proud to report that the Party Goods department took 3rd place in sales for 1979 and Stationery placed 4th in sales for the company," says Reporter Sandy Bingham.

"The record department placed 7th in the Midwestern Region in sales. Mary Brown has been with K mart 6½ years and in Party Goods the last three years. Yvonne Smith has been with the company in Stationery four years. Betty Buzz has been with the company in Records 6½ years.

"Mr. Larry Clausiers is the assistant manager over all three departments and is very proud of his employees."

## Write on

K mart 4353, Minot, ND — "Minot's 4353 is very proud of our Stationery and School Supply Manager, Gladys Johnson," reports Doris Oen. Gladys' department was number 1 in sales for 1979 in the entire K mart corporation! In 1978, Gladys' department was number 4 in the company. Assistant Manager Robert Eastman, her area assistant presented Gladys with a plaque.

"Gladys attributes her success to Mr. Eastman and to her Area Supervisor Shirley Hartung for all their help and support.

"4353 is very proud of Gladys. Congratulations Gladys from all of us."

## As time goes by

K mart 9041, Charles City, IA — "Time does not stand still at K mart 9041!" says Reporter Yvonne Kisch. "And it wouldn't for you if you had a watch like the one turned in to 605 clerk, Yvonne Kisch. It actually makes a 24 hour cycle in 2 minutes flat! Employee Teresa Hobert, who made out the defective tag wrote 'time goes by fast when you're having fun!' All employees agree it would be nice if the time clock moved that fast, but only for working hours.

"Menswear employee, Kelley Pierce, had a hair raising experience while on her honeymoon. Finding themselves short of cash (they were out of state) went to a bank to get a check cashed but they would not do it. Frantically, the only thing she could think of to do was to go to 'the friendliest store in town', which was K mart 4351, Rochester, MN. She told them she was a K mart employee at 9041 and had no trouble getting her check cashed. Thank you, K mart 4351!"



K mart 7084, Zion, IL — "Mayor of Zion, Mr. John Spencer (left) and Manager of 7084, Mr. Howard Bowen prepare sandwiches for our new delicatessen, which is part of our storewide refurbishing," says Reporter Marilyn Birchhoez. Still to be completed is a brand new cafeteria. "Stop in and see our new store, you will be as proud of it as we are."

## Spare time keeps them busy

K mart 7003, Muskogee, OK — "So many of the employees at 7003 are busy after their hours at K mart," says Reporter Margaret Webster.

"Delsi Lewis of the hosiery department goes to college nine to twelve hours a week studying criminal investigation and works a full 40 hours a week.

"Carolyn Kaiser, a part timer in jewelry, is a school secretary days, and attending college to become a teacher. She is also a wife and mother of two.

"Deloris Branch, food manager, leads an active life also. She bakes and decorates cakes, sews, and is very involved with the children's department at church.

"Nancy Goff, service desk, is secretary of her P.T.A. group and active in other school groups.

"There are only a few of the total involved."



Kresge 692, Mason City, IA — "Assistant Manager Dave Johnson of store 692, is shown rounding a curve to take the lead in an Early Bird Run on a cold and windy morning," says Reporter Opal Brown.

"Dave finished the race in third place out of 60 runners in a 10 kilometer or 6.2 mile race. Congratulations Dave."

## Apprehended

K mart 9043, Keokuk, IA — "At K mart 9043, Terry Irick, Assistant Manager Trainee, and JoAnn Swanson, Receiving Clerk, were commended by Keokuk's Mayor Robert Seabold for assisting police in apprehending two escaped prisoners from the state prison farm," reports Chris Bennett.

"The two had escaped the previous afternoon and entered K mart to use the telephone to secure transportation from the area.

"They were considered possibly armed and dangerous and after Mr. Irick's call to local police, were apprehended by sixteen county and local officers in front of the store. Terry and JoAnn's civic recognition would have been impossible without the assistance of K mart's Auto mechanic Brad Wittstock, who had given the convicts a ride into town."

## K mart manual wins first place

K mart 9159, McPherson, KS — "9159 has a winner in the hosiery department," reports Carol Bowers. "It's Gwen Gormana, senior of our local high school. Gwen is a DECA member and has been working at on the job training.

"Her main project for the year was to write a store manual for the Diamond Department Store and a training program for new employees. Gwen's manual won first place at the state contest. We wish her good luck in the National Contest."

## Scene changes

K mart 9290 Beatrice, NE — Changing seasons means changing scenes. This was the theme for 9290 when they participated in the First Annual Bridal and Fashion Show, held in the city auditorium where over 20 businesses participated.

Many people enjoyed leisurely Saturday and Sunday afternoons as they watched models display the newest in wedding gowns and summer fashions for men and women.

Gift and fashion displays were set up throughout the auditorium as was a stage in the round, for modeling.

The fashion show was a big success and will be a spring affair for years to come.

Models for K mart were Jennifer Maurer, Jessica Maurer, Douglas Ditmer, Becky Thies, Carol Walker, Renee Hergott, Kathy and Pete Maurer.

# Southern Regional News

## A Fishy Story

K mart 7089, Gulfport, MS — "Thursday morning one of our assistant managers, Hal Mastrianna came to work just raring to go," says reporter Debbie Kinsey. "He cleaned off his clipboard, helped departments on new layouts, returned all his CO's and even relayed the midway. Well, he normally is a good worker, but today was just too much. We got dizzy just watching him. So we set out to find the reason behind the non-stop attitude.

"The day before our manager and he just happened to have the day off together. And it just was not your ordinary day off. It seems that they, along with a number of other K mart managers from along the Gulf Coast chartered a fishing boat. Sounds fun, huh. Well, as Mr. Lewis explained it, they really did have fun. They had a great time getting to know each other and also waiting to see who could catch the largest fish.

"It wasn't Mr. Lewis and it wasn't Mr. Mastrianna either, but they tried. Hal caught a two foot Bonita weighing three and a half pounds. Mr. Lewis admitted he wasn't quite as lucky. In fact, we won't even mention his," says Debbie.

"But even though he hasn't a catch to brag about, Mr. Lewis does have a sun burn and a harder working assistant who is trying to soften the blow for catching the larger fish."

## Talented People

K mart 4138, Atlanta, GA — "Talent and hobbies abound at 4138," says reporter Shirley Epperson. Linda in personnel has started taking a course in hypnosis twice a week. Mae in rugs was noticed taking notes on her break one day and after some probing, I discovered Mae writes plays for churches. She also writes verses for consolation cards and has on occasion written a few speeches for people.

"Cynthia in check-outs is taking classes in medicine four hours a night and still finds time to play tennis and softball.

"Karen from millinery is known as the tuna fish kid. She is trying to lose weight and eats a can of tuna for lunch everyday. So far, she has lost 45 pounds (I don't know whether it's the tuna or the fact that she lifts weights everyday before coming to work).

"Scott in merchandising is very interested in photography. He did a portfolio on Richard Jenson of the Dukes of Hazzard TV show. Scott was thrilled when John Schneider, also a star of the show, visited his darkroom. Scott did the pictures for his school annual and received second place.

"Kay from cosmetics is a writer. She is from Canada and has had 12 stories published in Canadian magazines. She makes her own cosmetics using Tragacanth, which is the sap of a tree.

"And our customer greeter builds miniatures. So far she has a doll house, a country store, a toy shop and a bakery. At present she is working on a library."

## Dart Winner

K mart 3148, Stone Mountain, GA — Manuels Tavern in Atlanta remodelled their annex room especially for the finals of the NADA National Singles Championship. Even so there still wasn't enough room to seat all the spectators that had come to cheer on their champions in this dart throwing event. Mark Venable, menswear manager was one of the participants and walked away proudly as the winner.

On this night the players represented the cream of the Georgia Dart Players and to get this far they had to have beaten the best in their own taverns over a nine week period. Each Dart Pub played off every Tuesday night for eight weeks. On the ninth week all the weekly winners met at each of their home pubs and played off. The winner was then the Pub Champion and was entitled to play in the State final at Manuels Tavern. Top prize for the night was \$2,000.

Each match was 501 FIDO, best of three games in the first stages. In the finals, for top three



places the matches were then best out of five games, still keeping to the 501 FIDO.

"After winning the game, Mark was interviewed by PM Magazine for a part in their show," says Shirley Mitchell. "Since then Mark and his part-

ner Mike McKay have gone to Florida for the southeastern doubles Championship. They made a good showing by finishing second, only to be beaten by a team from North Carolina.

Mark has been playing for only one year. He picked up his expertise while playing at one of Atlanta's Dart Pubs.

## Buzzing Beeville

Beeville, TX — "Kraze Daze in Beeville and employees at 9075 went all out, walking away with third place trophy, which was awarded for 100% craziest dressed costume participation in a city wide competition," says Reporter Nyla Tapscott.

"Pete Ysasi from the receiving department was dressed as a female rodeo clown and took second place for the craziest dressed man. And Linda Talley from hosiery, who was dressed as Old King Cole took second for the craziest dressed woman.

"Aside from having an exciting day, all employees joined in bringing covered dishes and enjoyed a noon buffet in the store lounge."

Also, Rachel Gutierrez, another employee of ours won first place in general merchandising at the Texas State DECA UIL competition held in Houston," says Nyla.

"Rachel, a 17 year old senior at A.C. Jones High School, will now compete in the national competition to be held in Miami.

"She is the first student from Beeville to compete in the national contest."

## Trinidad Ladies

Pasadena, TX — "Bernadette Breedy and Gemma Allahar are two young ladies from the island of Trinidad," says Albert Smith. "They had both lived and worked in St. Croix, Virgin Islands, but didn't meet until they both came to work about the same time at K mart 4398.

"Bernadette was born in Port of Spain, Trinidad. After graduation, she worked for a racing pool, taking bets on horse races. She says it was a fascinating job and sometimes she would even win herself. From here, she moved to St. Croix and worked in a watch factory. In St. Croix, Bernadette's husband went to work for a large construction company before they moved to Texas. Bernadette resides in the Pasadena area with her husband and three children. She is one of our favorite checkers.

"Gemma was born in Piparo, Trinidad. Her family (she is number 11 of 15 children) moved to St. Croix before she graduated from high school. After graduation, Gemma worked for a department store in St. Croix. From there, Gemma's family moved to Connecticut, and then on to Texas she says, 'for a better future.' Gemma's an employee in our infants department.

"We at 4398 are proud to be associated with these two ladies from Trinidad. Plus these two, we have numerous employees from Mexico, one from Canada and one from Vietnam. So, you see, we are almost an international family."



Altamonte Springs, FL — "People who know how to achieve, work at K mart," says Nancy Field from 7164. Mindi Doll and Mike Bracken, two high school part timers are positive proof.

"Mindi recently won a full scholarship to the University of Central Florida for her outstanding flute playing. Mindi has been playing flute for six years.

"Mike, a Lake Brantley student and swimmer for seven years took two first and a second in a dual meet against Lake Howell. He won first place in the 200 Medley relay, and the 500 Free style, missing first place by only .19 tenths of a second in the 200 Free style."

# Western Regional News



Cornelia Hlawatschek

## Outstanding young and old

K mart 3096, Orem, Utah — "K mart 3096 wants to congratulate Cornelia Hlawatschek for being an outstanding young woman in our community," says Marva Peay.

"Cornelia works at our checkouts and has been with us for some time. She is a very pleasant checkout operator and is well liked by her fellow employees."

"She was honored by the Timpanagos Kiwanis club of Provo, Utah for her service to her church, school and community. She is a member of the St. Francis Catholic Church and is an honor student at her high school."

"And recently the employees gave a special Mother's Day surprise for Selma Rasosenic, age 79 from Orem. A small group presented Selma with gifts and flowers for Mother's Day. They served strawberry pie and drinks and gave a small presentation.

"Selma is a widower and has no children. Her only family is in Illinois, two elderly sisters, a nephew and a niece. Her husband had a heart attack while fishing at Deer Creek.

In 1952, Selma and her husband moved to Utah from Chicago. One of their hobbies was growing violets and another was collecting hardwood and rocks of which they made some very nice lamps.

"Selma is a very good cook," says Marva, "and does some very beautiful handwork. She embroiders pillow cases, hankies, scarves and makes her own clothes, of which she does cross-work stitching on the border of her dresses. She appliqued a beautiful rose design on a quilt.

"She is a member of the Orem 12 June, 1980

Senior Citizens where she enjoys music, dancing and she keeps up with the shows on television. The employees have enjoyed Selma over the years of coming as a regular customer; they give her rides home and just watch out for her. She is a great little lady. We just did not want her to be forgotten on Mother's Day."

## The 50's again

K mart 4132, Arlington, TX — "It's the Nifty 50's again at K mart 4132," says Louisa Little. Employees from the cafeteria and the deli dressed up as the 50's and Cafeteria Manager Kay Ballenger and Assistant Manager Sandra Stines said they had a fantastic time dressing up and wished that all the employees would participate the next time. They looked great in their rolled up blue jeans, long tail shirts, bobby socks and their black and white saddle shoes, dancing to music of Chubby Checker and the Monster Mash. Those were the days."

## Speed checking

K mart 7054, Portersville, CA — "Recently our store has started a new program with our checkers to encourage not only efficiency,

Wilma Galli of 7054.

"The idea was to take an average on each checkers register after two and a half hours of work. The checkers were informed of the new program and as to how it worked. Readouts are scheduled on Monday through Friday only.

"The checkers feel this is a fair program and it has encouraged speed for even the average checker. Most checkers have improved and have become more efficient in their jobs.

"We encourage other stores to set up a program of this nature. It really works."

## Pie throwing

K mart 3041, Seaside, CA — "To raise money for our store picnic, we decided to auction off pies to throw at our Store Manager Mr. Larson and the assistants," says Randy Raimundo. "Also, a few choice employees got into the act. As each person stood up one at a time, a pie was auctioned off and the highest bidder got to throw it. The highest bid went for Mr. Larson and the next highest was for our Merchandise Manager Mr. Wilson."

"In all, we raised \$67 towards our store picnic, making this our most profitable fund raising event yet."



Sharon Reilly

## State Finalist

K mart 4224, Denver, CO — "Sharon Reilly, 17, daughter of Elizabeth Reilly of K mart 4224 has been selected to be a state finalist in the 1980 Miss United Teenager Pageant at the Sheraton Hotel this month," reports Diane Ulrich. All contestants must be between the ages of 14 and 18 and have at least a 'B' average in school. K mart 4224 will be sponsoring Sharon at this

## He loves K mart whoppers

K mart 9202, Red Bluff, CA — "Hi Barbara. How is your family?" I asked as I strolled by on my way to punch in at K mart 9202.

"Oh, we're fine now, but last night I thought we were going to have to put the poor dog out of

his misery. He was really in bad shape.

"That's too bad. What was the problem?" (I'm always ready for juicy gossip).

"Well, I wouldn't want the story to get around but, (and her voice dropped down to a whisper, she glanced around and I struggled to hear her next words) He's addicted to ... K mart Whoppers."

"K mart Whoppers! Your dog is 'addicted' to K mart Whoppers? You mean he likes malted milk balls," I confidently corrected.

"Barbara's face flushed. She stared back at me and in a loud whisper insisted, "The dog is addicted to K mart Whoppers."

"Yeah," I jeered, "you have to call the boss and get a pink slip when you buy them for him?"

"No," Barbara grinned, "my husband gives him a dollar and he buys his own."

"How does he hold the change?" "Does he also carry a wallet?"

"No," she called over her shoulder as she walked away. "The checkout girl puts it in the bag for him."

"This I have to see," I muttered after her.

The very next day Barbara and her husband were in the store. Out of the corner of my eye I saw the 'K mart Whopper Dog.'

Barbara winked at me as she came up to me. The checker grinned at the dog and said, "Hi, this must be the famous K mart Whopper Dog. She petted the dog on the head and took the carton of Whoppers from his paws. She calmly rang up the candy and took the bill from the famous animal and put his change in the bag with the Whoppers.

"Thank you for shopping at K mart," she said to the dog.

"Bark, Bark," said the dog. This story was submitted by Kathy Gowrie of 9202.



The K mart Whopper Dog